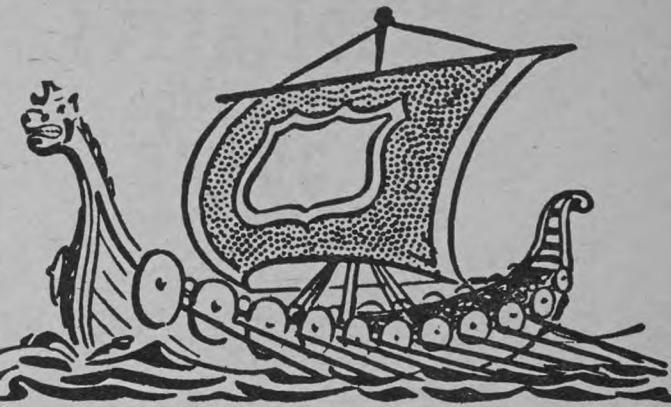


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## New Cultural Policy For Alberta

By Shirley Thorvaldson

A Multicultural Conference, the first of its kind in Canada, was sponsored by the Government of Alberta on Friday, July 16th at Government House, 12845 - 102nd Avenue, Edmonton, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Forty cultural groups were present.

Ten delegates attended the conference to represent the five Scandinavian groups. They were: Danish - Vera Nielsen and Claus Jacobsen; Finnish - Anne Sahuri and Mary Karvonen; Icelandic - Earl Valgardson and Barney Thorlakson; Norwegian - Sig Sorenson and Anders Anderson; Swedish - Doreen Nyroos and Lennart Petersson.

The delegates were welcomed and registered for the convention by very attractive hostesses in their native costumes. Selma Sorenson, Hulda Yelic, Susan Sorenson (Scandinavian Centre Queen), Doris Liimatainen and Fay Holmlund were the five delightful ladies from the Scandinavian groups.

Premier Harry Strom presented a significant document, "A New Cultural Policy for the Province of Alberta," to delegates from across the province who were representative of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds and interests in Alberta.

Premier Strom said that the Conference on Multiculturalism represented a "turning point" in the development of new opportunities for Alberta's ethnic groups.

The objective of the Conference was to begin a dialogue between the Government and the people of Alberta on the proposals and citizen participation in the programs, as set out in the paper.

The Premier indicated that most of the proposals would be administered by the Departments most directly concerned, namely, the Department of Education and the New Department of Culture, Youth and Recreation. The policy will be implemented by a Cultural Task Force of government officials responsible to the Ministers affected.

The government endorses the principles that UNESCO formulated in 1966, the Declaration of the Principles of International Cultural Cooperation. Article 1 is as follows:

1. Each culture has a dignity and value which must be respected and preserved.

2. Every people has the right and duty to develop its culture.

3. In their rich variety and diversity, and in the reciprocal influence they exert on one another, all cultures form part of the common heritage belonging to all mankind.

Fifty-five per cent of Albertans are not of British origin and over one-quarter of the population claims a language other than English as their mother tongue. This clearly

indicates a solid base on which to teach and learn many languages, in addition to English.

In education the government is positively oriented towards an expansion of linguistic studies and the preservation and development of the arts and customs of various ethno-cultural groups. Premier Strom stated, "We are willing to help build an atmosphere or climate - in short, to set a cultural tone - which will facilitate the above studies. The interest, however, must manifest itself locally."

The government is prepared to consider incentive grants on a per-pupil basis to school boards who encourage the study of a second language, until such time as the new climate of opinion which it hopes will emerge from their multicultural initiatives become prevalent.

The new Athabasca University may benefit from multiculturalism as the Government is prepared to recommend to the authorities that one of the village-like modules proposed for that institution make a significant contribution to a School of Languages and Ethnic Cultures.

During "The Year of the Arts, 1973" in which all Alberta communities will be invited to participate, one of the most important programs will be "Ethnic Festival of the Arts". The purpose of the Festival will be to bring together the many ethno-cultural groups to perform and display not only their traditional arts, but also contemporary works of Alberta and Canadian artists.

Other cultural proposals were: a library; extended scholarship program to enable students to study the fine arts; competitive awards for works in music, playwriting, visual arts, crafts, etc.; a program of international cultural exchange; developing of cultural centre and their cultural program, aid to Alberta artists to participate in international competitions.

The Government plans to extend the work of the Provincial Museum and Archives and assist in the publication of certain journals and memoirs.

Funds could be provided for selective production of television programs about Alberta's ethno-cultural groups and their activities.

At the conclusion of Premier Strom's speech the delegates broke into five groups and separated for their discussions.

The groups submitted reports at the end of the day and they were read. Suggestions were made in the five reports, questions raised but the new Multicultural Policy of the Alberta Government was praised by the delegates.

A reception and banquet was held later in the evening for the



Delegates representing the five Scandinavian groups at the Multicultural Conference in Edmonton were: Back row - Sig Sorenson, Earl Valgardson, Barney Thorlakson, Claus Jacobsen, Lennart Petersson. Missing from the picture is Anders Anderson. Front row - Shirley Thorvaldson, Vera Nielsen, Anne Sahuri, Premier Harry Strom, Doreen Nyroos, Mary Karvonen. Picture is courtesy of the Alberta Government, Department of Industry and Tourism.

delegates at the Chateau Lacombe. Honourable Ambrose Holowach, Minister of Culture, Youth and Recreation introduced the excellent entertainment for the evening. They were the Da Camera Singers under the direction of Ted Kardash, the Dell Hill Highland Dancers and the Ukrainian Shumka Dancers, and special artist Marek Jablonski, pianist.

### Title Is Now Consul

The government of Finland has upgraded the status of its representative office in Edmonton.

The Finnish vice-consulate established in 1958 has been moved up the scale to become a full consulate. Former vice-consul W. Stanley Ross becomes consul for Finland.

The changeover does not affect Mr. Ross's job a great deal - "all it means is a change in status," he says.

His job as consul is only part-time, as the Finnish population in Edmonton is very small. Mr. Ross estimates there are about 150 Finnish people in Edmonton, and 350 "at the most" in Alberta.

### Buford Hosts 20th Biennial Convention

Twenty delegates, officers of the District Lodge and visitors were welcomed to Leduc by Mayor Bill Lede when the Vasa Order of America, District 18, held its twentieth Biennial Convention at the Towne House Hotel in Leduc. Buford Lodge 577 was the host for the event which was held June 26th and 27th.

### SWEDISH DRAMATIST AND FICTION WRITER

Johan August Strindberg, the Swedish dramatist and fiction writer, was born in Stockholm in 1849. He was educated at Uppsala University but left without taking a degree. Strindberg is generally regarded as the foremost modern writer of Sweden, and his plays have had a profound influence upon the development of the European drama. He died in 1912.

District Master John Holmlund greeted the delegates and the convention was under way. Business of the day was suspended at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday to hold a memorial service led by Pastor Luther Erikson. Roll call of deceased members was read by District Secretary Bert Johnson, followed by the Buford choir singing a hymn. Pianists for the service were Beverly Kvamborg and Mavis Hamilton. Coffee followed and pictures of the convention group were taken.

A social hour at 5:30 p.m. got the evening festivities under way. Master of Ceremonies Tony Lefsrud introduced the head table and the chairmen of the local lodges before an excellent supper was served. Guest speaker Reverend H. A. Felson spoke on the history of Sweden, which was preceded by short

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# SPLINTERS from the BOARD

By Claus Jacobsen

## CHARTER FLIGHTS —

Charter flight No. 37 left for Oslo, Wednesday, July 14th from Nisku Airport. Aboard the flight were Director in Charge of Centre Operation Gary Johnson and Scandinavian Centre News Editor and Flight Organizer Les Morris and his wife. The flight will return on August 10th at 3:20 p.m.

## CENTRE OPERATION —

Any requests regarding Centre Operation during Gary Johnson's holiday, please contact me at 489-1494.

Gary has been in contact with some of the ethnic groups trying to establish a better understanding and closer contact between the groups and the Centre Board of Directors. A meeting between the five groups and the Centre Board will probably be organized in early September. If you have any comments regarding this matter, please send your letters to the Scandinavian Centre, c/o Centre Operation, 14220 125 Avenue, Edmonton. If it is convenient I will try to meet with the remaining three groups, if this can be arranged before the September meeting.

A cooler has been installed in the kitchen and is in use. A dishwasher has been ordered and will be installed at the end of August.

Being a director on the Board of the Scandinavian Centre is a responsibility and only a few shareholders are aware of what a director in charge of a certain function is involved in. I will try, in the coming months, to clarify the different positions as they are listed in the Centre News March issue.

## MULTICULTURAL CONFERENCE

All five groups were present at the Multicultural Conference at Government House, Friday, July 16th when the Honorable Harry Strom, Premier of Alberta, presented the new cultural policy for the Province of Alberta.

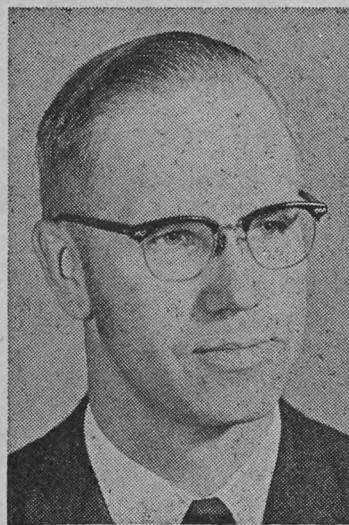
## RADIO REPORT

Listen to the Scandinavian Show on Radio Station CFCW every Saturday morning 10:30 a.m. — 790 kc on your AM dial. The Scandinavian Centre Report is broadcast on this program at approximately 11:25 a.m.

Ellsworth Halberg will give the report in August.

If you have something of interest for the broadcast give Ellsworth a call at 466-9344. The September Reporter will be yours truly.

Happy Holiday to all at home and abroad, and welcome to all Scandinavian visitors. Try to visit the Centre when in Edmonton, you are more than welcome.



## New Scandinavian Film Available

Scandinavian Airlines' headquarters have introduced a new film on Scandinavia called 'The Enchanted Isles of the Baltic'.

The duration of the film is 27 minutes, it is in colour and the width is 16 mm. It was filmed on the islands between Sweden and Finland — the largest archipelago in Europe after the Greek islands — during the summer of 1970. The producer is Dr. John Bulger who is well-known for his earlier travelogue films.

The largest islands in the Baltic are Oeland and Gotland, both on the Swedish east coast and known for their history as a stronghold of Baltic pirates a few hundred years ago. Earlier findings have established the fact that these islands were also known as Viking havens about 1,000 years ago. During the Hanseatic period these islands and their cities grew in wealth and power and several Hanseatic merchant families established themselves then in this area.

The area stretching practically from the doorsteps of the city of Turku in Finland across the Baltic

The film is available free of charge to clubs, churchgroups, associations, schools, etc., by request. Correspondence should be addressed to: Scandinavian Airlines, Suite 530, 800 Dorchester Blvd. West, Montreal.

Two tramps lay stretched out on the green grass beside a murmuring brook. The day was warm and peaceful. Dreamily one tramp said, "I wouldn't trade places with anybody right now for a million dollars!" "How about five million?" asked his friend. "No, not even five million," said the first. "Well, what about ten million then?" insisted the companion. The first tramp sat up. "That's different," he replied. "Now you're talking real dough."

# News from the Danish Church

By O. Filtenborg

## Next-to-new Sale —

The Ladies' Aid will sponsor a next-to-new sale at the Ansgar Danish Lutheran Church on August 27th. The sale will begin in the afternoon at 2:00 p.m. and will continue in the evening if there is still something to sell. The ladies will be glad to receive items for the sale and you can call Mrs. Karen Jensen, phone 455-9040, or any member of the Ladies' Aid if you have something. The ladies ask you to remember that it is not a rummage sale.

The services in August will be held by visiting pastors. The Danish services by the Danish pastor from Calgary, Rev. C. Staal Nielsen, and the English services by Rev. Holger Madsen from Sher-

wood Park. In case of funerals, weddings and baptisms they will also assist while Pastor Filtenborg is in Denmark.

## Weddings —

William Owen and Hanne Hansen, both of Edmonton, — Richard Ackerman and Susan Becker, both of Calgary.

## Baptisms:

Heidi Astrup Lindegg, daughter of Klaus and Kirsten Lindegg — Connie Pouline Jensen, daughter of Chris and Gerda Jensen — Tina Balslov Hansen, daughter of Ole and Jette Hansen.

## A SIMPLE SCANDINAVIAN GLOGG

To extend this, add either 1½ cups of your favorite liquor, 2 cups of sweet vermouth or a quart or more of muscatel wine.

3 whole cardamom seeds  
8 whole cloves  
1 cinnamon stick  
1 wide strip orange peel  
1½ cups water  
¼ cup blanched almonds  
½ cup light raisins  
26 - oz. bottle red Bordeaux  
or Burgundy  
26 - oz. bottle port  
1 micky cognac  
sugar, to taste

Tie the seeds, cloves, cinnamon and peel in a cheesecloth bag, place with water in enamelled or steel pot and bring to a boil. Simmer covered 10 minutes, then add almonds, raisins, and simmer another 10 minutes.

Add wine, port, cognac (you may simply use 2½ bottles of the wine if you wish), and bring quickly to a boil. Remove from heat, let cool, and store in a cool place overnight.

When ready to serve, remove spice bag and heat glogg, but don't boil again. Add sugar to taste and serve in warmed mugs or glasses containing a few almonds and raisins. A small spoon makes it possible to eat the raisins and nuts.

Driving in a dense fog, a motorist followed the taillights ahead, worry free for nearly an hour. Suddenly the lights halted and the two cars collided. "Why don't you signal when you're going to stop?" yelled the driver behind. "Why should I," came the reply, "when I'm in my own garage!"

## Canada - Norway Negotiate Fishing Limits

Canada and Norway were reported Tuesday to have reached final agreement on winding up traditional Norwegian fishing operations in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The agreement with Norway represents the first big breakthrough in Canada's determined campaign to chase foreign fishermen out of exclusively Canadian fishing zones on both the east and west coasts.

Canada said it was willing to negotiate a withdrawal timetable with a number of countries whose vessels have fished in the gulf and adjacent waters for periods up to

several hundred years. These were Norway, Denmark, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Britain and France.

The agreement was negotiated by officials of the two countries in Ottawa three months ago and then referred to the Norwegian and Canadian governments for approval. A further meeting of officials took place here in June.

Besides agreeing to end gradually the activities of its fishermen in the gulf, Norway also accepted Canadian jurisdiction in Canada's newly-created, 12-mile territorial sea.

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# ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

By Lillian MacPherson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

You will be receiving notices from the Extension Dept. at the University of Alberta announcing an Icelandic language class to be offered this fall by Christopher Hale. A minimum of 13 people is required to hold the class. If you're definitely planning on taking the class, please let Lillian MacPherson know (phone 422-7557).

The choir has been practising two and three times a week during June and July in preparation for the Icelandic Celebration in Gimli August 2. Several voices have been added, the numbers have swelled to 27. Good luck to the Saga Singers in Gimli!

## WELCOME

Welcome to Edmonton and Canada to new arrivals from Iceland, Ragnvaldur Olafson and his wife Sigridur Juliusdottir and their young son Arni Julius. Ragnvaldur is a post doctoral fellow in physics at the University of Alberta. In Edmonton they are living at No. 24, 11612 79 Ave., and their phone no. is 439-4440.

Also a warm welcome to Karen and John Smith and their four children who have just come here from Seaford, Ont. John is with

## Impressions of Iceland

Although this may be taking unfair advantage of my position as your correspondent, I thought I'd like to share some of my observations about Iceland and Icelanders as a first-time visitor.

I was constantly struck with the way that the Western Icelanders (as we are known over there) have maintained customs, attitudes and language in Canada over the last hundred years. Sometimes when I remarked that we did something differently in Canada, the response would be "That's how we did it in gamla daga (the old days)." I had an amusing and somewhat embarrassing experience when I boldly enquired of the desk clerk at the Hotel Borg in Reykjavik "Hvar er kamarinn?" Obviously taken aback, she said "The powder room is over there." Suspecting that I had committed a social blunder, I asked about the meaning of the word "kamarinn" — quite correct in rural Canada — it means backhouse! That's what we had when I was a kid!

We found refreshing the relaxed atmosphere, the slower pace, and the rather irreverent attitude to time. My husband, Lorne is now convinced that I come honestly by my habitual lateness.

It took some time to get accustomed to some of the social niceties, particularly telephone etiquette. I knew by the uncomfortable response at the other end of the phone that I shouldn't blurt out "Is so and so there?", so I checked and discovered that one says to the person who answers the phone "Codan dayan. Thetta Lillian MacPherson. May I speak to so and so (preferably in Icelandic)." This introduction of oneself usually resulted in polite enquiries after one's health, etc., which certainly extends the length of one's phone call, and presents some problems, if one isn't particularly facile at Icelandic!

We enjoyed the mode of living which still commonly has multi-generation households, each generation having separate living quarters. We also liked some of the everyday habits — they have a really neat way of hanging up towels in the bathroom; they don't use a top sheet in the bed but have their down quilts covered in damask or linen; all the homes we were in had libraries and paintings and plants.

Many people when they speak, speak on the in-breath, a habit which is very contagious — I caught it. Some of the popular sayings — Nay, er pad?; Eg held pad; Pad var gaman ad . . . ; Allt i lagi (especially for calming nervous tourists who think they've just missed their boat); and Ja (drawn out).

Lorne was struck with the apparent prosperity, especially in the smaller towns we visited on the east side. There were new homes in every town, and they seemed very active, not dying like many of our towns are.

It was very exciting to be there during election time and after many questions and discussions we felt we were beginning to understand the party set-up and election procedures. Election night people sat up until 5:00 and 6:00 A.M. watching the returns on T.V. and marking them down. The Independence or Conservative party maintained its strength, but the Social Democrats, who were in coalition with the Independence Party suffered losses sufficient to force the resignation of the government. The three left wing parties — the Farmers Party, the Socialist Party and a new party headed by Hannibal, made sufficient gains to indicate a change was wanted. These three have now succeeded in forming a coalition, but it took many days and weeks of talks, much to our consternation, as we were anxious for them to come to some conclusions before we left (which they hadn't). Some comic relief was provided during the election by the Zero Party formed by young people, which made a spoof of the election, by doing everything backwards.

I could talk about much more — the roads, the buses, the food — maybe someone else would like to?

Fusi and Gladys Arnfinson were in Edmonton from Sooke, B.C., visiting with relatives and friends, and especially to be at the wedding of Fusi's daughter, which was held in Hinton.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Jo. Janssen, her son Bill and daughter-in-law Carol and their two children motored to Iowa to re-unite with the Janssen family.

Haukur's mother Mrs. E. Melax is here visiting from Reykjavik, Iceland. Haukur and Elsie have driven her to see the scenery west of Edmonton.

Mrs. Bertha Key from Qualicum Beach, B.C. has been visiting in Edmonton. She attended the wedding of Eileen Key in Fawcett, Alberta. She goes from here to Manitoba where she will be at a reunion with relatives from Iceland and Minneapolis.

Ossie Eyford, formerly of the Edmonton group, and his family were entered in the Nanaimo Musical Festival, where they won both individual prizes and the family group. Congratulations.

Edna and Howard Garnet, former active members of the club and now of Victoria, B.C., were here staying with Bill and Tody Halldorson. Camerons, MacNaughtons and Sumarlidasons planned to entertain them at a garden party, but unfortunately the guests of honor were unable to attend because of illness!

Walter Arason was commissioned by the Boy Scouts in the person of Ruth MacNaughton, to design and create a large number of ceramics with the Boy Scout crest on them. Ruth went to Sylvan Lake with the Boy Scouts.

Solli Sigurdson has left Edmonton on sabbatical for a year. From September to Christmas he will be in New York state, and after that he will be in London, England.

Hakon and Gudny Kristjanson from Regina have been visiting with their son Marino and his wife Phyllis and family. They motored here with Marino's brother Jonas and his wife.

Beulah and Walter Arason holidayed in International Falls with Walter's parents.

Shirley Thorsteinson visited with her parents at Husavik, Man. en route to and on return from Iceland. Lorne and Lillian MacPherson enjoyed their hospitality as well while they visited with Lillian's grandparents John and Helga Johannsson in Betel.

Pauline and Alex Mitchell's daughter Thora Vaughn from California is visiting with them this summer. She has consented to join the Saga Singers while here.

Thanks to Margaret Cameron for arranging the film on the geology of Iceland which was shown at the Scandinavian Center. There was a large crowd for the film which was supplied by Icelandic Airlines in New York. Lunch was served afterwards.

The five Edmontonians, four Markervilleans and two Red Deerans enjoyed the Icelandic National League charter to Iceland immensely. The Air Canada flight was one huge party; there was virtually no rain in Iceland for the month of June; the Icelanders lived up to their fine reputation of hospitality; the scenery was beautiful; the food was conducive to putting on extra and unneeded pounds. The whole thing was great!

## SYMPATHY

Members of the Nordurljos Chapter of the Icelandic National League extend their sympathy to Frank Hirst and his family, of Hay River in their loss of wife and mother Marianne Hirst, who died in an automobile accident at the end of June.

Donna Cameron, the daughter of Don and Margaret Cameron, has been teaching arts and crafts for the United Church Summer Camp at Surprise Lake, near Edson. Lois Gislason was also at the camp as

a nurse's assistant. Lois is the daughter of O. V. and Lorraine Gislason of Athabasca.

## OUR APOLOGY

It was reported in the Icelandic column in July of Einar Einarson's death but the gentleman referred to is hale and hearty. Our sincere apologies to Mr. Einarson and his sisters, Mrs. Sveinson, Mrs. Fitch and Mrs. Grimson, for the mistake.

## W.I. Delegates To Attend Norwegian Convention

About 1,000 women are to meet in Oslo, Norway Aug. 10 to 20 for a triennial conference of the Associated Country Women of the World, its Canadian affiliate announced today.

The Federated Women's Institutes of Canada said conference resolutions include such topics as chemical warfare, pollution, the welfare of blind persons and the status of women.

The Associated Country Women of the World, the only international organization of women living in rural areas, has more than 200 member societies in six continents, with a central office in London, England.

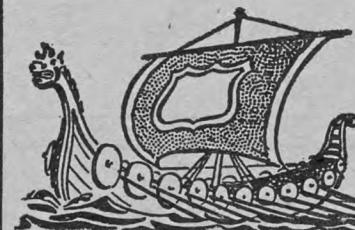
Association members work in their own lands for better nutrition, education, housing and a happier life.

Mrs. E. V. Fulton of Birtle, Man., president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, will lead the Canadian delegation of about 80 delegates and accredited visitors. Mrs. J. Philip Matheson of Winsloe, P.E.I., is area vice-president for Canada.

## DEATHS

Hallan, Ole Martin

On July 1st, Mr. Ole Martin Hallan of 10952 - 35A Avenue, formerly of Thorsby, Alberta, passed away at the age of 70 years. He leaves to mourn his loss his loving wife, Alice; one son Fraser David in Nigeria, West Africa and a daughter Mrs. Howard (Marie) Moeller of Grande Prairie, Alberta; three grandchildren; also one brother and three sisters in Norway. Funeral services were held at the Thorsby United Church with interment at Willow Creek Cemetery.



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## NORWEGIAN PROGRAM

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OTHER PERSPECTIVES  
ON THE NORMEN

**Olaf Sveen:** We have tried to give a many sided view of the Northmen's culture. We have largely used sources sympathetic to the Vikings. Today we should like to give the viewpoint of outsiders. The Irish suffered greatly, for example, and one of their prayers which has come down through the ages to us reads: "From the fury of the Northmen, Oh Lord, deliver us". I am going to ask Dr. Tom Nelson from the University of Alberta if he knows others.

**Dr. Nelson:** This prayer was an attempt to avoid the ever threatening danger from the sea around Eire. The possibility of longships suddenly appearing made a miser-

able life for those living near the Irish coast. The sailing season was a time of dread. An Irish manuscript now in Switzerland has this short poem:

"Grimly howls the storm tonight tormenting the white spume of the ocean. Now I need not fear that the wild northern fighters sail forth on the Irish Sea".

**Olaf Sveen:** The English also played unwilling host to the Northmen. I have been told that we have very little left from this source, however, because only a few population centers, such as Exeter and Worcester in the English west, survived the Northmen's raids. Aside from tons of silver and gold taken from Britain, the Northmen burned the towns including the libraries. Can you add to what I've said?

(*Oxensberina, The Norsemen*, pg. 138).

**Dr. Nelson:** Well, we still have a copy of the treaty between King Alfred and Guthrum. Also there is the Worcester M.S. In this we find a poem commemorating a defeat of the English at the hands of a Vikings band in 991. The Viking raid dealt with is also referred to in the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle and scholars have been able to locate the site of the Viking camp and battlefield. We are not sure of who the Viking chief involved may have been. He is referred to as Anlaf and may well have been Olaf Tryggvason. In the selection I will give, the Norse call for tribute is described. It goes this way in the poem titled "The Battle of Maldon":

"Then stood on strand and called out sternly a Viking spokesman. He made speech — threat in his

throat, threw across the seamen's wealth and glory, famed for her fertile lands, is now but a heap of ashes."

"The swift-striking seafarers send me to thee, bid me say that thou send for thy safety rings, bracelets. Better for you that you stay straightaway our onslaught with tribute than that we should share bitter strife. We need not meet if you can meet our needs: for gold tribute is struck.

Art captain here: if thou tak'st this course, art willing to pay thy people's ransom, wilt render to Vikings what they think right, buying our peace at our price, we shall with that tribute turn back to ship, fare out on the flood, and hold you as friends:

(*The Battle of Maldon, Earliest English Poems*, Pg. 114-115).

**Olaf Sveen:** The description does not really disparage or belittle the Vikings, does it? Isn't this a little strange considering the circumstances?

**Dr. Nelson:** No, culturally, the English were and are quite close to the Scandinavians, the English being descendants of the Jutes, Angles and Saxons arriving from what is today Denmark and that Germany bordering on Denmark. Thus the English did not find the Northmen's mentality foreign. This is shown clearly further on in the poem.

Later stanzas tell how the English unwisely choose to give battle. They are up against professionals and are soon being rapidly cut down. However, the English do not flee. The English, as the Northmen they face, have vowed absolute loyalty to their chief and this gives their defeat as stern an ending as one can find in any literature written in any of the Germanic tongues.

Many centuries earlier in a book titled *Germania*, Tacitus, the Roman writer, remarked that all the Germanic speaking people held the idea that the ultimate disgrace is to leave a battlefield alive when the leader, whom the oath of loyalty had been sworn, is slain. The English, as well as Norse, know this rule and follow it, the poem tells of the consequences. After the English warlord is killed, an English jarl named Offa urges himself toward death saying:

"A man cannot linger when his lord lies unavenged among Vikings .....

Offa himself soon falls. And as the battle nears its completion, the English jarl Brythwald gives another classic declaration. He is made to say:

"Courage shall grow keener, clearer the will, the heart fiercer, as our force faileth. Here our lord lies levelled in the dust, the man all marred: he shall mourn to the end who thinks to wend off from this war-play now. Though I am white with winters I will not away, for I think to lodge me alongside my dear one, lay me down by my lord's right hand".

**Olaf Sveen:** The French, as the English, were ultimately defeated by the Vikings and turned over what is now Normandy to the Northmen, did they not? The Franks, a Germanic people, too, were the opponents of the Vikings. The Northmen skimmed up the rivers of France and caused great suffering. To cite one example, I have read that the Northmen once hung one hundred and eleven men on an island facing Paris which they were besieging. These men were made a sacrifice to Odin in plain view of their friends and relatives. Do you have anything to offer from this part of the continent?

**Dr. Nelson:** Well, one chronicler living there remarks of Paris:

"What shall I say of her?, that town once resplendent in her

elated by the previous battle, set out in full strength on a plundering raid, and the king advanced against them with his army. The Northmen seeing him approach in battle array over the river which is known as the Dyle, constructed a fortification of wood and piled-up earth in their usual manner, assailed the (Frankish) line of march with jeers and insults, and scoffingly shouted to them in derision that they should remember the slaughter and shameful flight that had taken place at the Geule, the like of which they were shortly to suffer themselves.

At this the king (Arnulf) was moved to wrath (feele commotus) and ordered his army to dismount and to launch its attack on foot against the enemy. As quick as a word the Franks dismounted from their horses, raised a shout of encouragement and burst into the enemy's entrenchment; and with the help of God they slew them and beat them down to the earth, so that out of an innumerable multitude (of Northmen), there was hardly a man left to report the news to the fleet. After this happy conclusion, Arnulf returned to Bavaria."

i) (*Funck-Bretano The Middle Ages*, translated from French by Eliz. O'Neill, G.P. Putnam's Sons, New York, 1926, Pg. 1-3).

ii) (*A History of Medieval Europe*, R.H.C. Douis, Pg. 174-175, Longman Green & Co., London, 1957) (*Chronicle of Regino of Prum*, ed. Kurze, 1890, pp. 136ff.)

However, one writer R.H.C. Davis makes a comment on the slaughter of the Northmen somewhat at variance to the "official French" version. He says:

"None the less those Northmen who had remained with their ships during the battle were sufficiently numerous to cross the Meuse again in the following year and to raid the territory of the Riparian Franks, reaching as far as Bonn and Prum, from which the majority of the monks only just had time to escape"

*A History of Medieval Europe*, R.H.C. Davis, Pg. 175.

## SOLGLYT SPOTLIGHT



By Min Hafso

## COMING EVENTS

A Western Barbecue and Dance will be held September 18th in the Viking Room.

Mrs. Elgstrand wishes to thank Kalmer Amdam for his visit during her recent hospitalization.

Mrs. T. Berg wishes to thank the Bowling Club for the novelty dish which was so much appreciated.

Mrs. Wally Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hafso, Mr. and Mrs. E.P. Shaver recently returned from the Scandinavian countries and the continent.

Stan Hafso spent the holidays with his brother Gordon in North Hollywood. While there he visited the opening of the Los Angeles Convention and Exhibition Center where a program was put on by Scandinavian variety and consisted

of drill teams from the various ethnic groups.

The lodge is anticipating an interesting Fall Program.

Mr. Osmond Trydal, Grande Prairie Lodge, is a patient in the Aberhart Sanitorium and would appreciate visitors.

The Klondike Dance on July 17th was a great success with a large crowd, good music and delicious barbecued beef served by Stella's Catering.

Next month's reporter will be Rose Svidal. Please phone 488-6558 with your news items.

Vitus Bering, a Danish sea captain who had been commissioned by the Czar of Russia, discovered Alaska in 1741.

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# VASA LODGE SKANDIA



By Betty Pearson and Martha Kay

The meeting of July 3rd at Vasa Club, Pigeon Lake was opened by Vice Chairman Leonard Eliasson in the absence of Chairman Lennart Petersson.

Sympathy is extended to Ida Tell and family in the loss of her son Erik.

Members reported sick were: Evelyn Modin, Winnie and Oscar Pearson, John Jarrett, Michael Skoog, Clarence Knutson, Elof Linden, Audrey Eliasson and Leonard Eliasson.

The sick committee were thanked for doing a very good job.

As the weather was not very cooperative the Klondike dance was postponed. Let's hope the weather will allow the Land Committee to host one after the August meeting.

Delegates to the Twentieth Biennial Convention, Vasa Order of America, District 18, held at Leduc were: Hansine and Eric Pierre, I.E. (Don) Johnson, Mildred Weiss, Linnea Lodge, Harold Markstrom.

A lovely lunch was served by Sharon Winquist, Sonja Sund and Irene Hokanson and our "coffee maker", Hansine Pierre, deserves a special thank you too.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, August 7th —

Regular monthly meeting to be held at Vasa Club, Pigeon Lake, 7:30 p.m. Land Committee will host entertainment after the meeting which will be a Klondike dance with pancakes at midnight. Hope the weather co-operates this time.

Saturday, Sept. 4th —

Regular monthly meeting at Vasa Club, Pigeon Lake at 7:30 p.m. Magnus and Betty Pearson will host a pot luck supper at 5:00 p.m. Come and bring lots of good eats. Cards or bingo will be played in the evening after the meeting.

#### VASA GLIMPSES

Sigurd Franzen is heartily congratulated for his great achievement. It is an honor for our lodge to have such a distinguished member. Very few get knighted by the King of Sweden. To be a first class Vasa Riddare, Royal Order, takes a lot of meritorious service.

Svea Erickson has been visiting back. Sounds as if they had a good time.

Congratulations to the young fellow who finally captured and got engaged to Fae Johnson.

Margaret Eliasson took two of her grandchildren down to the Calgary Stampede parade — Lorraine took part in the parade as a member of the Edmonton Strutters Drum Corps.

Ann Sorensen certainly knows her horses! Her first trip to the races really paid off.

Soren Sorensen who with his brother-in-law, Olle Sjoqvist from Stockholm, Sweden, is building a raft and will enter the Sourdough Raft Races during Klondike days. LOTS OF LUCK FELLAS!

Otto and Anna Sund have been seen trimming their hedge at Sun-down, so you can see what so much rain can do.

Lennart and Joan Petersson did not get their trip to Japan so are trying to make their cabin into a pagoda.

Hansine Pierre and Linnea Lodge entertained Miss Wendy Heyworth, fiance of Brian Johnson at a pantry shower recently.

The picnic that was to be held after the June meeting (Sunday) was finally able to be held on Sunday, July 4th and was really successful thanks to the capable Watson family.

Betty and Magnus Pearson had visitors from Sweden. They were Ragnar Halvarsson, Meubyvagen 10, Froson, Jamtland and Erik Hedin from Hede, Harjedalen.

Quite a few members of the lodge went to Sweden for a visit and they are cordially welcomed

Hope Joyce Hawkes has a enjoyable holiday.

Glen and Audrey Eliasson have been on a couple of pleasant camping trips.

Margaret Eliasson had an eventful but tiring trip to Spain and the Canary Islands.

Anna Sund is in the General Hospital. Get well soon, Anna.

Martha Hokanson is here visiting her family.

The Grandparents Club has been increased by three during the past month. Margaret & Eric Engval, Evelyn & Don Johnson, and Ivy and Andy Ogren, have been reinstated as babysitters for the 1971 Social Season.

Harold, Lulu, Lisa Lundgren stopped briefly in Edmonton on their way to Vancouver and Victoria to visit with friends.

The Don Johnsons had their daughter Geri and two grandsons visiting here from Alamogordo, New Mexico.

While on their vacation, Henry and Linnea visited with Gus and Janet Carlson, Laramie, Wyoming, the Hale Manns and Kip Woodrings of Westminster, Colorado, the Ken Mays of Denver, and Jim and Geri Collins of Alamogordo, New Mexico. In San Francisco they visited with their sister Alma Wicklund.

Ragner and Anna Roos have as visitors, Anna's nephews from Huskvarna, Smoland, Sweden. They are Kjell and Peter Magnusson.

Don & Ev. Johnson would like to thank the Vasa Ladies Auxiliary for catering to the Post Nuptial party. It was much appreciated by all concerned.



CLAUS JACOBSEN

Scandinavian Centre Director Claus Jacobsen is in charge of Centre Operation while Director Gary Johnson is vacationing in Norway. Claus will be giving the Scandinavian Centre report on radio station CFCW for September so call him at 489-1494 if you have any announcements for that month.

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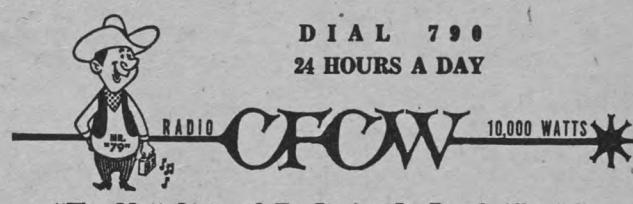
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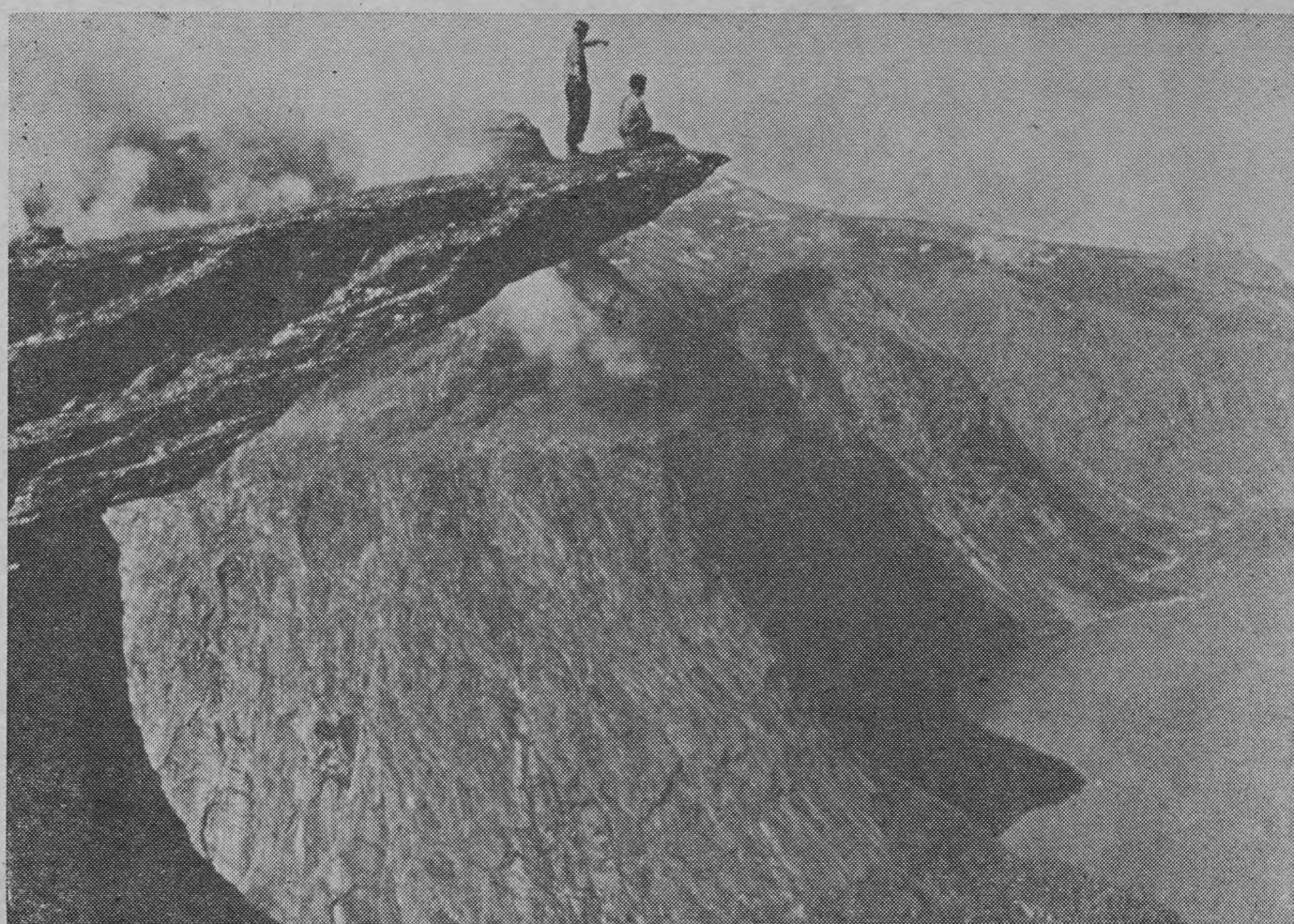
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## THIRD CHARTER OFF TO OSLO



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Amid kisses, handshakes and smiles the passengers for Scandinavian Centre Charter No. 37 left Nisku International Airport on July 14th at 10:20 p.m. for Oslo. The plane arrived at Oslo Fornebu Airport the following day at 3:05 p.m., local time.

These passengers are due back at the Edmonton International Airport (Nisku) on August 10th at 3:20 p.m. Please confirm the time with Air Canada that day for Flight number CO 77.

With the return of these passengers this concludes the Scandinavian Centre's summer charter flight program, but watch for further information concerning winter flights. These flights are for you so do take advantage of these low fares.

Passengers on the charter to Oslo are:

Erling K. Anderson, Sern P., Mary,

Dale and Grant Andersen, Mrs.

and Lori Denson, Lill-Mette Lar-

Tora Anderson, Mrs. Islay B., Ann Lee and Ian Arntzen, Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Astner, Alf Bakland, Amanda Bakland, Chris Berg, Mrs. Breta Bjorkenhaug, Mrs. Elsie Block, Mr. and Mrs. D.R. Burt, Kolbjorn and Glen Carlsen, Carl Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Commins, Mrs. Bernice Cormack, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cumming, Ian and Paul, Mrs. Maren Dahl, Mrs. Nelly Dittrich, Masachika Ebisiugi, Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Ehly, Thorleif Eriksson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl G.E. Franzen, Per Gram-Knudsen, Nils H. Hafso, Selmer A. Hafso, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Hansen, Ernest A. Hanson, Helmer S. Hanson, Lawrence Hendrickson, Einer, Lizzie, Jonna and Mary Ann Holm, Ben Hustel, Verner, Anna and Eric Jensen, Gary Johnson, Mrs. Ingrid and Ruby Johnson, John Johnson, Dr. Erling and Vernette Karlsgodt and Kari, Mrs. and Lori Denson, Lill-Mette Larsen, Bengt and Karen Larsen, Sanders Larsen, Jens, Ruth, Ken and Lisbeth Liebgott, Mrs. Bertha, Ken and Tom A. Lien, Mrs. Margit Lindboe, Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Lovesteth, Mr. and Mrs. Soren Madsen, Mrs. Tove Marko, Thora Matkin, Les and Beth Morris, Ole Mosand, Harold, Annie and Kristine Moseng, Sigi Mueller, Olaf Nielsen, Harold Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Petersen, Miss Kari and Miss Lynda Prestholdt, Mr. and Mrs. M. Reiestad, Mr. and Mrs. Vilko Ristola, Mrs. Anne Ronning, Magnus Siverson, Erling Skauge, Miss Linda Skauge, Arnt Skoglund, Astrid E. Soderberg, Mrs. Melsey Soderberg, Mr. and Mrs. August E. Szott, Margaret Tetreault, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thomsen, Patricia Thorsen, Birger and Haldis Trondsen, Norman and Sharon Trueblood, Peter Valestrand, Mrs. Edith Walker, Mrs. Thora Winden.

### United Community Fund Campaign

The goal of the 1971 United Community Fund Campaign has now been set.

John L. Schlosser, UCF president, announced that the goal of the forthcoming fall Campaign will be \$1,979,087. This represents an increase of \$126,617 over the total amount of \$1,852,470 raised in the 1970 Campaign.

"We are confident that the people of the Greater Edmonton area will rally together and attain this goal", Mr. Schlosser said. "This community put last year's Campaign over the top in an outstanding community effort and we're most optimistic that we can do it again this year."

"With the increase in the stresses and strains of modern urban living, there is more need than ever before for all the services provided by the volunteer agencies served by the United Community Fund", Mr. Schlosser added. "A greater workload is being placed on all the port of the Fund and all the many agencies and additional funds are

required to help them carry out their important activities in our community."

"The increase of \$126,617 over last year's total represents the increased costs of providing these services in the Greater Edmonton area," Mr. Schlosser said.

C. R. (Chuck) MacDonald, recently appointed General Campaign Chairman, announced that the 1971 Campaign will kick off on Monday, September 27th.

"We hope to develop an all-out community campaign to match the great effort put forward last year by all workers under the leadership of Joe Shoctor", Mr. MacDonald said.

"This will be a real challenge to all of us. The United Fund represents Edmonton's community togetherness at its best and I know our citizens will rally to the support of the Fund and all the many agencies that its supports".

### On Books & Articles

The American-Scandinavian Review, Spring, 1971. Erik J. Friis, Editor. Among the articles: A Stave Church in South Dakota, by O. G. Malmin; Erik Ploen: Master Ceramist, by Louis Penfield. (Published by The American-Scandinavian Foundation, 127 East 73rd Street, New York, N.Y. 10021. Annual subscription price: \$7.50).

A young student from the agricultural college was in conversation with an old farmer. "Do you know," observed the young man, "that your farming methods are so far behind the times that I'd be very surprised if you get even \$50 worth of oats out of this field." "So would I," was the farmer's reply. "It's barley."

The bathtub was invented in 1850, and the telephone in 1875. Had you been living in 1850, you could have sat in the bathtub for 25 years without the telephone ringing once.



By Anne Sahuri

Thank you to lovely Miss Doris Liimatainen who represented the Finnish Society in the Scandinavian Centre Queen contest and who later attended the Scandinavian Centre picnic at Victoria park.

Our most sincere sympathy is extended to Osmo and Brian Salo on their recent bereavement of their beloved wife and mother Mrs. Rita Salo, who passed away on June 24th. Funeral services were held the following Tuesday at the Evangelical Lutheran Church at St. Albert with Pastor R.O. Olson officiating. Interment took place at the Edmonton Cemetery.

The annual Juhannus picnic turned out to be a little damp. But those who dared the weather ended

up with a sunny, warm Sunday and good fishing. Tim Sahuri won the prize for catching the biggest fish during the picnic. (He also won it last year.)

Mr. & Mrs. Onni Virtanen reported having a beautiful holiday

visiting Mrs. Lena Mah in Edson,

sight seeing in Jasper, Lake Louise

and B.C., and finally having a nice

rest at Radium Hot Springs. Re-

turning home through Calgary they stopped to see Koivunevas,

and at Sylvan Lake they visited

Mrs. Rinta and Mr. & Mrs. E. Hill.

## NATO To Stay

## But U.S. May Go

All parties in Iceland's incoming leftist government are reported agreed that the NATO base at Keflavik must be closed and that its 3,000 American servicemen must go probably within four years.

The new coalition to govern the island republic in the North Atlantic appears convinced that Iceland should remain a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, but that foreign servicemen should not be stationed there during peacetime.

The base 30 miles southwest of Reykjavik, and the stationing of American naval personnel there are authorized by a U.S. Icelandic defense pact under NATO auspices.

The base has been operating since 1951. It tracks Soviet plane and ship movements in the North Atlantic. The Russians have put pressure on the Icelandic government for some time to pull out of NATO, or at least to close the base.

The new coalition under Premier-elect Olafur Johannesson controls 32 of the parliament's 60 seats, including 17 Progressives, 10 members of the Communist People's Alliance and five of the Liberal Left party. Johannesson leads the Progressive party.

It is likely that the cabinet will be made up of three Progressives, two Communists and two Liberal Left.

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## EDITOR IN SCANDINAVIA



Managing Editor and Flight Manager Les Morris and his wife, Beth, are on a month's vacation in Norway. They will be returning on August 10th on charter flight No. 37. Shirley Thorvaldson is in charge of the Scandinavian Centre News while Mr. Morris is absent.

## Wedding Bells

### Johnson-Heyworth

A candlelight ceremony at St. George's Anglican Church united Miss Wendy Heyworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Heyworth, and Mr. Brian G. Johnson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. (Don) Johnson on Friday, June 18th at 6:00 P.M.

The bride wore a white crepe tunic over pants and on her head the Vasa Bridal Crown. Her bouquet was a cascade of white summer flowers. The witnesses were Miss Janice Heyworth, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Greg McDonald. The ushers were Mr. Josh Panar and Mr. Jim Johnson, brother of the groom.

A reception followed at the Faculty Club. The bride's parents came from Auckland, New Zealand to be present at the wedding. Out of town guests included: Mrs. C. Wiles of Haney, B.C., Mr. and Mrs. A. Wildeman of Winnipeg, and Mrs. D. P. Collins of Alamogordo, New Mexico, sister of the groom.

A post nuptial reception was hosted by the groom's parents on Sunday, June 20th at Vasa Park Club House.

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Recent studies have shown that three aspirin tablets produce in normal subjects roughly the same effect as a moderate dose of phenobarbital or of meprobamate, a common tranquilizer.

### LONG IN USE

Aspirin comes from a family of herbal remedies used in many parts of the world as far back as the Stone Age. These are the salicylates, found in the bark, fruit and other parts of many plants. Early Indians made a fever-reducing tea from willow bark. Hippocrates, the father of medicine, recommended preparations of willow for alleviating both fever and pain.

In the 1850's, chemists began synthesizing pure salicylic acid, and within a few years salicylates had become common drugs, used even for sterilizing wounds and preserving food.

### HAD DRAWBACKS

But they had drawbacks. Salicylic acid was extremely irritating to the stomach. Then, in 1893, Felix Hoffman, a chemist in Germany, found a derivative that was not objectionable: acetylsalicylic acid. Before long, it was big business.

Aspirin has been introduced into a bewildering number of products — more than 1,000, if one counts different brand names.

It is synthesized from common coal tar and petroleum derivatives, according to a standard recipe given in many elementary chemistry text books.

### NOT FOOLPROOF

Although safe when properly used, aspirin is not foolproof. A few people — probably not more than one in 1,000 — are hypersensitive to it. In them, even a single tablet can bring on a possibly fatal asthma attack. Many doctors do not give aspirin to patients with peptic ulcers, for in very large amounts it may cause internal bleeding.

Why don't more people take their aspirin straight? One reason is that it takes a while to dissolve, and during that time it can irritate mucous membranes in the stomach of some people. It takes still longer to be absorbed into the bloodstream. Chemists have pretty much abandoned hope of finding a gentler and faster-acting salicylate, but they continue trying combinations with other ingredients. Pharmacologists do not yet know enough about aspirin to say for sure whether this tinkering with it will improve aspirin significantly.

### NO ADDICTION DANGER

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(From the New York Times)

## Dandelions

I used to think that dandelions Were but bits of gold, Scattered in profusion Across the grassy wold. I used to dream that dandelions, Were a nuisance, sent To spring upon my well-kept lawn

And vanish my content. I used to cuss the dandelions, In fact, they made me sick; But now it is the dandelions, Not I, who have the kick. I've learned to love the dandelions, I am a wiser elf; And I've stored them up in jugs Upon my cellar shelf!



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## BUFORD NEWS

By Wanda Markstedt

Ellen and Ray Pearson, Marylin Park this year and enjoyed it immensely, in spite of the very damp weather. They returned from a trip to Sweden and report a marvelous time.

Vernon and Goody Pearson are now making their home in Leduc.

Hans and Liz Wengberg and their three children, Terry, Lorrie and Sonja left on Friday, July 16th for a holiday in Sweden. They plan to spend most of their time visiting Hans' parents who live on the Island of Gotland off the southern coast of Sweden.

Lori and Billie Pearson, Denise Evanson and Danny Pearson attended Children's Week at Vasa

Mrs. Annie Evanson and Alice Evanson attended Annie's grandson's wedding in Providence, R.I., early in July, however, they had to fly home suddenly when Annie took sick. She is now a patient in the Charles Camsell Hospital where her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Friends of Frank and Signe Carlson would like to welcome them back to Alberta after spending a number of years in Kelowna. They have now purchased a house in Warburg where they will be making their home.



## SKANDIA'S CHILDREN'S CAMP SUCCESSFUL DESPITE RAIN

Vasa Lodge Skandia's Children's Week was quite successful in spite of the rainy weather. There were fifty-six campers and they waded around in the mud quite happily. Minnie Markstrom was the camp co-ordinator and had many willing helpers.

Bengt Kristiansson was the leader of cultural and outside activities; Verna Larson and Ann Sorensen were leaders for Swedish dancing and songs, both in Swedish and English, and May Kurz and Alice Sorensen were in charge of handcrafts. The children did some real masterpieces!

The kitchen helpers were: Joan Knutson, Hansine Pierre, Rose Rau-tio, Karen Runcer, Charlotte Samuelson, Mildred Weiss, Ivy Ogren, Carol Brandle, Joan Petersson, Evelyn Johnson, Betty Pearson and Magnus Pearson.

The councillors were: Phyllis Ta-pio (our lovely musician), Linda Samuelson, Gerry Kurz, Louis Pearson, Maureen Sjoberg, Neil Markstrom, Jennien Sund, Miles Knutson, Glen Knutson and Pam Belke.

The program on Saturday afternoon was quite well attended by parents and friends.

#### Program Was As Follows —

O Canada, Du gamla du Fria, Introduction of District Master John Holmlund, Chairman for Skandia Lodge Lennart Petersson, Chairman for Buford Lodge Bob Pearson and Henry Sjogren spoke for the Falun Lodge chairman who was absent. Minnie Markstrom, camp director, Bengt Kristiansson, co-ordinator of outside activities, Ann Sorensen and Verna Larson, singing and dancing directors, and Phyllis Tapio, musician.

Two songs by the older children—sommareno soliga dagar and Rain-drops Keep Falling on My Head. Acrobatic display by Lorrie Pearson. Dance by six nine-year-olds and Kannes du Lotta min van, sung by the older group. Accordion and violin duet by Phyllis Tapio and Clarence Knutson, Springtime in the Rockies and Somewhere My Love, plus a peppy polka.

En song eng gang for lange, lange sen, was sung first in Swedish

Congratulations to Percy and Gladys Sandstrom on their 40th wedding anniversary. Many friends dropped in on them to help them celebrate and wish them well in the future.

Our thanks to the committee that was in charge of arrangements for the 20th Biennial Convention in June; to Betty Hanson and her assistant Doris Modin for doing the registration, and to Helga Hoyem who was in charge of the coffee hours during the entire convention and who managed to serve a beautiful lunch each time.

by the older group, then in English. The younger group sang Mors lilla Olle and This Old Man. The older group then danced and the younger sang Flickan som gar i dansen. All the children then joined in singing the Vasa Camp song. Following this, the camp workers put on a short program. Betty Pearson did a skit on the gang, then the group sang a song composed by Joan Petersson and Carol Brandle which presented them as coming from the ark.

Our camp co-ordinator, Minnie Markstrom thanked the campers, workers and those who donated money. Irma McMaster was included in the thanks for her lovely baking, etc.

Bengt Kristiansson thanked the young people who had helped out with different jobs, after which he gave out prizes for those who did best in culture. They were Wendy Sjogren and Allan Eliasson from the youngest group, and Alyson Watson and Tod Winquist from the older group. Alyson Watson was chosen by the campers to receive a special award.

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